FISCAL NOTE

SB 1989 - HB 2023

January 8, 2002

SUMMARY OF BILL: Specifies that in any county having a population of not less than 28,500 nor more than 29,000 according to the 2000 or any subsequent federal census (Fayette County) the county legislative body, by 2/3 vote, may levy a fire protection fee on residential and business structures with 9-1-1 addresses that lie outside the incorporated areas of the county. Provides that such fee may be extended to addresses lying inside a municipality at the request of such municipality's legislative body. Specifies that such fee must be used exclusively by the county to fund, upgrade and improve fire protection services in the county. Provides for the fee to be collected at the same time as real property taxes and that failure to pay such fee shall create a lien against the property. Authorizes the county to adopt an assistance program to aid low-income, elderly homeowners in paying the fee.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

Increase Local Govt. Expenditures - Exceeds \$100,000 / Permissive Increase Local Govt. Revenues - Exceeds \$100,000 / Permissive

Estimate assumes to the extent affected local governments choose to enact the fire protection fee authorized by this bill they will experience an increase in revenues from the proceeds of such fee and a corresponding increase in expenditures for fire protection in the county. Such increases are estimated to exceed \$100,000.

CERTIFICATION:

This is to duly certify that the information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

James A. Davenport, Executive Director

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